



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

Krister HANSSON

Serial No.: 09/718,401

Filed: November 24, 2000

For: A PROCESS FOR THE MANUFACTURING OF SURFACE ELEMENTS WITH A
STRUCTURED UPPER SURFACE

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PRELIMINARY REMARKS

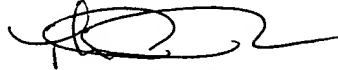
Honorable Commissioner of
Patents and Trademarks
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

A Notice of Allowance was issued in connection with the above-identified application on September 5, 2002. However, the Notice indicated that the references submitted with the Information Disclosure Statement filed on August 29, 2002 failed to comply with 37 CFR 1.97 and 37 CFR 1.97 and would not be considered by the office. Therefore, applicants are filing herewith a Request for Continued Examination and resubmitting the Information Disclosure Statement so that the references may be considered by the Office. A copy of the Information Disclosure Statement and the Form PTO-1449 is enclosed herewith. Applicants did not provide a copy of the references cited in the PTO-1449 as they have previously been submitted.

This application should now be in condition for immediate allowance, which action is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,



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**THE APPLICANT HEREWITH PETITIONS
THE PTO TO EXTEND THE TIME FOR
RESPONSE AS REQUIRED TO MAKE THE
ATTACHED DOCUMENT TIMELY FILED.
PLEASE CHARGE THE COST THEREOF
TO DEPOSIT ACCOUNT 19-4375**

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Date: December 3, 2002